

higher out-of-pocket costs and reduced convenience for Medicare-eligible beneficiaries as they seek health care using their Medicare benefit, the Department believes that successful conduct of the MacDill 65 project will demonstrate the Department's ability to operate a cost-effective primary care program for Medicare-eligible beneficiaries.

The Department is also aware that the requirement for all MacDill 65 enrollees to have Medicare Part B represents an increased cost for those who rely solely on no-cost, space-available care at the MTF. However, Medicare regulations require Medicare-risk HMO members to also be enrolled in Part B. As the Department is strongly supportive of Medicare Subvention legislation, it is one of the reasons the Department has implemented a policy of encouraging military retirees to enroll in Part B upon reaching age 65. Also, enrollees in MacDill 65 will require Part B coverage to submit claims to Medicare for civilian provider services.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### International Energy Agency Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Industry Advisory Board to the International Energy Agency will meet November 20, 1998 at the headquarters of the International Energy Agency in Paris, France in connection with a joint meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions and Standing Group on the Oil Market.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Samuel M. Bradley, Acting Assistant General Counsel for International and Legal Policy, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, 202-586-6738.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with section 252(c)(1)(A)(i) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(i)), the following meeting notice is provided:

A meeting of the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will be held on November 20, 1998, at the headquarters of the IEA, 9 rue de la Federation, Paris, France, beginning at approximately 9:30 a.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to permit attendance by representatives of U.S. company members of the IAB at a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ) (part of which will be held jointly with the Standing Group on the Oil Market (SOM)) that is scheduled to be held at the IEA's offices on November 20. The Agenda for the meeting is under the control of the SEQ and SOM. It is expected that the following Agenda will be adopted:

#### Meeting of the Standing Group on Emergency Questions

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Summary Record of the 93rd Meeting
3. The 1998 SEQ Work Program
4. The 1999 SEQ Work Program
  - Survey of SEQ/SOM Member Budget and Work Program Priorities
5. Policy and Legislative Developments in Member Countries
  - U.S. Energy Policy and Conservation Act
  - Developments in other IEA countries
6. Current IAB Activities
7. Emergency Reserve Situation of IEA Countries
  - Emergency Reserve and Net Import Situation of IEA Countries on 1 July 1998
8. Emergency Reserve Measurement Issues
  - Treatment of Petroleum Coke for IEA Emergency Reserve Purposes—Proposal by the Spanish Administration
9. Emergency Response Issues of IEA Candidate Countries
  - Emergency Reserve Situation of IEA Candidate Countries
10. Emergency Data System and Related Questions
  - Base Period Final Consumption—Q397—Q298
  - Monthly Oil Statistics (MOS) June 1998
  - MOS July
  - MOS August
11. Emergency Response Reviews of IEA Countries
  - Emergency Response Review of Australia
  - Emergency Response Review of Canada
  - Emergency Response Review of New Zealand
  - Emergency Response Review of Finland
  - Progress Report on the Review Program
  - Updated Schedule of Emergency Response Reviews
12. Emergency Reference Guide
  - Update of Emergency Contact

#### Points List

#### 13. Other Business

- Discussion of possible event to mark 25 years of SEQ work on energy security

#### Joint Meeting of the Standing Group on Emergency Questions and the Standing Group on the Oil Market

1. Current Oil Market Situation (Based on the monthly Oil Market Report dated 9 November 1998)
2. Oil Supply in the South Atlantic: A Strategic Outlook to 2005
3. External Economic Influences on the World Oil Market: The Implications of Expectations, Inventories and Prices
  - Dr. Philip K. Verleger, P.K. Verleger LLC
4. Report on the Emergency Response Exercise 98

As provided in section 252(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(ii)), this meeting is open only to representatives of members of the IAB and their counsel, representatives of members of the SEQ and SOM, representatives of the Departments of Energy, Justice, and State, the Federal Trade Commission, the General Accounting Office, Committees of the Congress, the IEA, and the European Commission, and invitees of the IAB, the SEQ, the SOM, or the IEA.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### Algonquin Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Application

November 6, 1998.

Take notice that on October 29, 1998, Algonquin Gas Transmission Company (Algonquin), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations thereunder for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Algonquin to construct, own, operate and maintain certain facilities and to abandon certain facilities necessary to render a firm transportation service for up to 46,000